



## COMMUNITY APPEARANCE COMMISSION

### Minutes

**April 1, 2015**

The meeting of the Salisbury Community Appearance Commission was called to order at 4 p.m. Wednesday, April 1, 2015, by Karl Sale, in the Council Chamber, 217 South Main Street, Salisbury, North Carolina. The following members were present and absent:

**Present:** Jane Creech, Lavonia Corry, Deborah Harris, Diane Hundley, Carlton Jackson, Shelley Harper Palmer, Karl Sale, Tamara Sheffield and Jessica Vess

**Absent:** Nathan Coyle, Raemi Evans

**Staff:** Lynn Raker and Diana Moghrabi

The February 4, 2015, minutes were approved as submitted. There was no meeting held in March since there was not a quorum. The commission welcomed new members Lavonia Corry and Jane Creech. Karl Sale presented a certificate to Sue McHugh for her term as chair and two 3-year terms as a member of the CAC.

### COMMITTEES

**Neighborhoods and Education Committee.** The next Neighborhood Leaders Alliance meeting will be held April 16, 2015, at 4 p.m. at One Water Street. Neighborhoods will be invited to apply for this year's BlockWork project.

**Grants Committee.** The Incentive Grants Committee met at 3 p.m. today. They approved Watkins Fitness at the corner of Main and Fisher Streets. They are doing an extensive renovation of the building, including roofing and masonry repairs to a sum of about \$40,000. They will be going before the Historic Preservation Commission for approval. The committee awarded \$5,000 for the roof replacement.

A grant was approved for the restoration of the Historic Mural on the 100 Block of West Fisher Street in the amount of \$5,000. A \$2,000 grant was awarded for new second story windows at 118 West Innes Street. A \$2,000 grant was awarded to 111 North Main Street for planters and furniture for the front and back patios.

Next month is the last opportunity to award the remaining grant money.

**Public Art Committee.** The seventh outdoor sculpture show was installed the 20<sup>th</sup> of March. There are ten pieces in the downtown and nine pieces at the four colleges.

A group from the Statesville Community Appearance Commission came to Salisbury over the weekend to see how Salisbury does their outdoor sculpture show. Statesville is interested in creating a sculpture park in their downtown with both permanent and temporary pieces.

St. John's church in Salisbury is working with some of the artists for a permanent piece on their campus. Fulton Heights is interested in contracting with an artist to do a piece for their park and one for their median.

Karl recommended an installation on South Main Street next time.

The photos for the brochure have been submitted. Lynn will put the brochure together with Fern Blair who is in Public Information for the city. Lynn projects that it will be three weeks.

**Landscape of the Month.** Shelley reported a flurry of nominations this month.

#### Residential

- 115 E. Miller Street (Judy Russell)
- 305 E. Bank Street (Linda Edmondson)
- 825 N. Ellis (Blake and Rachel Jarman)
- 623 Maupin Ave (Home of Ginger Fox) Residential Winner
- 203 Mitchell Avenue
- 307 Wiley Avenue (owner deceased)
- 502 Wiley Avenue (Wendy Weant)

#### Commercial

- Wallace and Graham
- Catawba College (Commercial Winner)

Lynn will provide a script for the committee. It is policy now to have NC One Locate check for underground utilities before the sign is installed. We do not want the yard painted up to ruin the appearance.

#### **COMMITTEE APOINTMENTS**

Lynn reviewed the current list of opportunities for the benefit of the new members. Sue McHugh will continue to serve on the Public Art Committee. Lynn is meeting with the West End Pride Group the second Tuesday of April 14 at 10 a.m.; anyone who can serve on that committee please let Lynn know that you are available.

Let staff know your interests in serving on the committees.

## **OTHER BUSINESS**

- Next month the CAC will hold elections for Chair and Vice Chair.
- The CAC was under the impression that Sue McHugh would be appointed by City Council for another term. Tamara said she would like to address the matter and the attendance policy including a committee review of the policies and procedures which she volunteered to chair. Diane Hundley and Karl Sale will serve on that committee. Maggie Blackwell will be invited to attend the meeting.
- Staff has learned that no discussion can take place in a meeting without a quorum. Future meetings without a quorum will be dismissed.
- Salisbury is experiencing a terrible trash problem on city streets. Lynn will follow up with the local NCDOT office about trash on Jake Alexander Boulevard.

**The meeting adjourned.**